
OLR Bill Analysis

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RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION LIMITING THE USE OF MONEYS CONTAINED IN THE SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND.

SUMMARY:

This resolution proposes a constitutional amendment prohibiting the state from using or transferring any money from the Special Transportation Fund for any expense or purpose that is not transportation-related.

The Special Transportation Fund pays for state highway and public transportation projects. It is supported by a number of revenue streams, most notably the motor fuels tax.

The ballot designation to be used when the amendment is presented at the general election is "Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to prohibit the use or transfer of moneys contained in the Special Transportation Fund for any expenditure or purpose not related to transportation?"

EFFECTIVE DATE: If the resolution passes by at least three-fourths of the membership of each house of the General Assembly, it will be placed on the 2014 general election ballot. If it passes by a majority of the membership of each house but less than three-fourths, it will be referred to the 2015 session of the legislature. If it passes in that session by a majority of each house, it will appear on the 2016 general election ballot. If a majority of those voting in the general election approves the amendment, it will become part of the state constitution.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 34 Nay 0 (03/15/2013)